

## CITY AND COUNTY.

**Ripe dewberries in market.**

**YESTERDAY** was a clear, fair day. But few vacant houses in the city.

**SODA FOUNTAINS** are in full bloom again.

**SWINGING** signs are a nuisance in any city.

**SUNDAY** school picnics will soon be in order.

**SOME** sparking is going on among the young folks.

**SEVERAL** cases of flux are reported in the city.

**PROVENS** are reported abundant on the prairies.

**Our** ice factory will soon be in operation again.

**Our** markets are well supplied with fat, juicy meats.

**REPAIR** the sidewalks and save the city damage suits.

**BRENNAM** needs more railroads and must have them.

**COUNTY** court convenes on the third Monday in May.

**CATTLE** trains continue to pass north over the Santa Fe road.

**SALT** down your overcoats and get out your linen dusters.

**No** improvement reported in Col. Alcorn's condition.

**The** Park grounds will be put in apple-pie order for the fest.

**NOTHING** was done yesterday in the Justice or Mayor's court.

**The** city railway line ought to be extended to Firemen's park.

**Care** are in good condition, and present a prosperous appearance.

**CANDIDATES** for county offices have scarcely begun to bud, as yet.

**Our** city needs a better system of sewerage, and needs it badly, too.

**Who** will carry off the first prize for decorated wagons at the Mai-fest?

**The** white-washer is being called into service in different parts of the city.

**New** buildings continue to pop up like magic in different parts of the city.

**No** transfers of real estate recorded by the county clerk this week.

**LILLY** and his mule should be voted a nuisance and banished from the city.

**THERE** was a very pleasant Easter ball at the Germania on Sunday night.

**MR. J. S. NEWBORN** has returned home from New York looking as fresh as a rose.

**The** picnic season has arrived and the young folks are making good use of it.

**When** will our new military company get their uniforms? Echo answers, when?

**Negro** prostitutes should be prohibited from parading the streets after night.

**Now** is the time to enforce the collection of the dog tax, and kill out worthless curs.

**The** city council invite bids for the creation of a one-story frame school house at Watrousville.

**CONNOR** HOOK COMPANY are out for practice every evening and are making first-class records.

**MR. FRITZ** WEBER is having a handsome new residence erected on West Sandy street.

**Our** public schools are in a flourishing condition, and are the pride of every good citizen.

**The** Connor Hook company received 500 feet of new hose, and a number of new uniforms.

**MR. J. H. HUTCHINSON**, of the Hempstead Ledger, paid the Brennam fire department will be the largest ever given in Brennam.

**Why** not build the Brennam and Brazos Valley railway? It is a necessity that must be provided.

**REGULAR** monthly meeting of Brennam Hook and Ladder company takes place to-morrow night.

**Our** city is now very orderly, consequently the mayor has but few cases demanding his attention.

**DR. WELSH** is justly entitled to the belt as being the champion tooth extractor of the 19th century.

**The** flower gardens of the city present a beautiful appearance and keep the air laden with rich perfume.

**MR. J. W. WERN**, lumber dealer, is preparing to remove his business to San Angelo, Tom Green county.

**The** Progressive Band are practicing every night and promise the fire boys some splendid music at the Mai-fest.

**The** ball at Pleasant Hill on Saturday night was well attended notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather.

**BRENNAM** needs better and more sidewalks, and the street commissioner should see that this matter is attended to.

**MR. E. P. DAVIS** had another stroke of paralysis on Saturday night, and is reported to be in a critical condition.

**MR. GREEN** MORGAN, an old settler of this county died on Thursday morning at his home in the Morgan settlement.

**STONEWALL** Engine company No. 2, will take part in the Mai-fest festivities. It is composed of boys from 14 to 18 years of age.

**The** disciples of Isaac Walton are wending their way to Eagle Lake in quest of pleasure and recreation.

**An** infant of Walter Nobles and wife died on Tuesday night and was buried at the old cemetery yesterday.

**The** Sunday school scholars of St. Peter's church were handsomely entertained at the Pastors residence on Tuesday afternoon.

**The** National colors, which float so proudly above our handsome opera house, presents an "all tattered and torn" appearance.

**WORKMEN** have commenced the erection of a Methodist parsonage on South Market street. The building will be two stories high.

**Now** is the time for our county to build the necessary bridges and have the overseers make the necessary repairs on the public roads.

**MR. BEAUREGARD** BRYAN has been added to the May Queen committee, and has gone to work energetically in the discharge of his duty.

**COL. D. C. GIBBINS** gave to the Public High School yesterday a fine large globe—a valuable contribution to the school apparatus.

**The** Protection Hose company, of Temple, will participate in the festivities of the Firemen's Mai-fest at Brennam, May 14th and 15th.

**ARE** the Brennam Light Guards drilling and getting ready for the Mai-fest? We hope to see them make a good record on that occasion.

**THERE** is now no doubt but that the Houston Light Guards will attend the Brennam Mai-fest as the guests of the Brennam fire department.

**THERE** seems to be a fall in the matrimonial market of this county; but few applications are being made at the clerk's office for licenses.

**No** demonstration was made by Gartrell Lodge, of this city, on the sixty-seventh anniversary of Odd Fellowship in the United States.

**A** PROTRACTED meeting is being conducted at the German Methodist church in this city, and much interest is being manifested in the services.

**The** teachers and children of St. Peter's Sunday school are respectfully invited to spend this afternoon from 5 to 7 o'clock at the Rectory's residence.

**The** Brennam Light Guards, composed of boys, decline to participate in the Mai-fest parade. Want of time to drill and make preparations the cause assigned.

**The** Brennam Fire Department acknowledge an invitation to attend the May day celebration of the Hempstead Hook and Ladder company on the 5th of May.

**The** marshal ought to inspect the awnings in the city, and require property owners to remove all rotten portions, and thereby save the lives of innocent persons.

**It** is hoped that every member of Green's Brigade, residing in this county, will make it convenient to attend the re-union of the Brigade at Galveston on the 23d of July, next.

**MR. ALBERT** WILHELM, of Pleasant Hill, in this county, has been awarded a diploma by the New Orleans Exposition on a new patent plow, which he had on exhibition there.

**ARRESTED**—Sam Smith, colored, was arrested by deputy sheriff Langhammer yesterday, charged with stabbing Mr. T. G. Gilder on Tuesday night. Smith gave bond and answer the charge.

**THIEVES** visited the premises of Mr. G. W. Newman, at William Penn, a few nights ago and stole one of the wheels off his buggy and 150 feet of new grass rope. No clue, as yet, to the theft.

**MR. W. H. VINSON** has been elected Collector of Brennam County No. 365, American Legion of Honor, vice T. W. Chappell, deceased. Members will please take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

**The** thanks of the Brennam Fire Department are due Prof. Voss for the splendid music furnished on San Jacinto day. Prof. Voss is a fine musician and always complies with his promise, no matter at what cost. Saluti!

**HAIL STORM**—The BAKER learns that a severe hailstorm visited Milano Junction on Tuesday, at about 3 o'clock in the afternoon, knocking out window panes, killing fowls and beating down vegetation generally. The storm lasted about ten minutes.

**MR. M. S. HUTCHINSON** of the Franklin square circulating library, is in the city. Messrs. Carleton & Nash, druggists, have charge of the library of this city, and will be pleased at all times to receive calls from members of the library association, and others.

**MAJOR** MOSES AUSTIN BRYAN, secretary of the Texas Veterans Association, has reached home and is highly pleased with the meeting at Dallas, and is untiring in his laudation of the people of that city for the open-handed hospitality extended the old San Jacinto Veterans.

**MAYOR'S** COURT.—Monday.—The following is the list received in the hopper and the toll received:

Henry Brown, Wm. Lewis, John Johnson, Mary Wilson and Rona Danchy, all charged with being drunk and disorderly; adjudged guilty and fined one dollar and cost, each.

**The** Mai-fest.

The forthcoming Mai-fest of the Brennam fire department will undoubtedly be the largest ever held in Brennam. Large premiums are offered for decorated wagons, prize contests with firemen, military drills, &c., while the programme for the amusement of the children—boys and girls—will be unusually attractive and interesting. Every effort is being made by our noble fire ladders to make the fest a success, and it our citizens will lend them a helping hand they cannot fail. Quite a number of existing firemen will be present and is their desire to make their visit to Brennam both pleasant and agreeable. Our fire boys are always ready to help our citizens whenever the alarm is given, and why should not they in turn ever ready to extend to them, in a helping hand, when called upon to do so?

**FOR** EAGLE LAKE.—Messrs. T. J. Pampell, Julian McFarland and John Levin, of this city, left Friday evening via the Santa Fe railway for Eagle Lake. The BANNER was not permitted to see the contents of the mess-chest, but the gentlemen aver that it was devoid of the usual complement of snake medicine, with the exception of three two ounce vials to be used only after the snake has bit them. The last party that was at the lake came back and reported that there are no "snakes" there, but rather than take any chances they took along the limited quantity of medicine mentioned. They desire to inform their friends that they will not do any fishing on Sunday but will go to the town of Eagle Lake and attend Sunday school.

**TEACHER'S** INSTITUTE.—The Colored Teachers' Institute met at the public school building on Saturday, for the purpose of electing officers. The following were elected: C. F. Anderson, president; J. K. Colbert, first vice president; C. S. Williamson, second vice president; Miss Tappet, third vice president; D. L. Sablett, secretary; Miss Ella Hubert, treasurer; G. W. Patterson, W. H. Browning, J. T. Harris, S. B. Hubert, F. R. Branch, executive committee.

**Latin** in the early part of the day prevented a good many teachers from being present. All the teachers in the county are expected to be present on the fourth Saturday in May.

**D. L. SABLETT**, Secretary.

**DITTONED**—At about 8 o'clock on Saturday night, while two cattle trains were running on the Santa Fe road, north bound, the engine of the rear train broke loose from the train and ran into the caboose of the other, ditching the caboose and two cars loaded with cattle, throwing the engine off the track and damaging it considerably; sixteen head of cattle were killed and a number badly injured. The road was speedily cleared and trains are now running on schedule time. The engineer and conductor were slightly bruised.

**Y. M. S. C.**—Prof. N. A. Austrian, the well known elocutionist, who has appeared with many audiences will appear this evening at El-dridge hall under the auspices of the Y. M. S. C., in a number of his most select pieces. His repertoire will consist of the following: The Diver. The charcoal man. Managing a mule. The rum maniac. Dying words of love. Making an editor out of him. The hypochoander. How Ruby played. Music will be interspersed at intervals by the band. No admission except to ladies and members of the club and their families.

**SANITARY**—Now is the time to look after the sanitary condition of the city. The alleys and back yards need cleaning off and the trash and rubbish burned; lime should be liberally used in privy vaults; the sewers should be kept clean; in fact no filth should be permitted within the city limits.

**POLL TAX**—There are many glaring defects in the present poll tax law that needs remodeling by our law-makers. Last year there were sixteen hundred delinquent poll tax payers in this county, and this year the number is even greater. These delinquents are mostly colored men, who, under the present law, cannot be forced to pay this tax. The only means of preventing this shortage in the county finances would be in the passage of a law requiring the presentation of a poll tax receipt as a prerequisite to voting. It is but just to state that there are very few delinquents in precincts four and six.

**The** Brennam and Brazos Valley railway should be built at the earliest possible moment. Our business men need the road and should aid liberally in its construction. Let's have the road, by all means.

**Two** negro prostitutes confined in the calaboose for non-payment of fines, kept up an uproar for being there than an hour yesterday, yelling, singing and swearing. A gag would be the proper thing for their stripes.

**SNAKE BIT**—Mr. C. Lasch, who lives near town, was bitten on the hand by a copper-headed snake Friday night, which caused him great pain and suffering for some twelve hours; he is now out of all danger.

**The** new steel boiler recently ordered for the Brennam fire company reached here on Monday night. It was started from the Manufactory in Indiana on the 9th inst., but the labor troubles caused its slow progress to its destination. It is expected to be in readiness for working in a week or ten days.

**Green's Brigade Reunion.**

The following feeling and patriotic letter from Major R. L. Fulton, mayor of the city of Galveston, is given publication for the benefit of the members of the Brigade, as well as the noble sentiments it expresses:

**MAYOR'S OFFICE.**  
GALVESTON, April 25th 1888.  
J. G. Rabin, Secretary Green's Brigade Association, Brennam, Texas.

Dear Sir—Your favor of the 23rd inst. notifying me of the fact that "Green's Brigade" had been called to meet at Galveston on July 23rd 1888, and that a large attendance is expected, is just to hand. I make haste to say that Galveston will be ready, however large the attendance, to give the survivors of the gallant old command a sincere and hearty welcome.

The annals of the late war contains the record of no achievement more brilliant, than that of the capture of Galveston, in 1863, in which no agency contributed more largely than the courage, daring and prowess of Green's Texas Brigade.

After the lapse of almost a quarter of a Century from that extraordinary event—which, in the fullness of time, has brought peace, fraternization and good will between the two hostile forces of sectional contention—it is, it appears to me, eminently appropriate at this time for the resident survivors of that day and time to meet and testify their appreciation of the heroic deeds and services of those who, upon that and other eventful occasions, won the admiration of friend and foe by death, courting achievement.

But the Galveston of to-day—including our foes of 1863, non-combatants and the rising generation—as well as the Galveston of "Auld Lang Syne," will give hearty welcome to Green's Brigade, and do their utmost, ladies and gentlemen, to make your sojourn with us agreeable and pleasant.

Yours very truly,  
R. L. FULTON.

**The** grand re-union of Green's Brigade will take place at Galveston on Friday July 23d, 1888, in accordance with the invitation extended the Brigade through mayor R. L. Fulton, at Fort Worth last August. It is hoped that there will be a full attendance of the members of the Brigade. By order of

**R. S. PRIDGEN**, President.

**J. G. RABIN**, Secretary.

**TEXAS** papers please copy.

**HORSE KILLED**—About noon Thursday the horse attached to the delivery wagon of George C. Meyers ran away and collided with a horse belonging to a farmer named Bourne, the shaft of the wagon striking the horse and killing it. The king bolt of the delivery wagon broke and was the cause of the runaway.

**PHILIP** MARTIN, a young German, was arrested Thursday afternoon for carrying a pistol. He got to the eastern edge of the city limits and fired three shots into a "limit post"; this shooting gave him away; he was pursued and captured about New Year's creek bottom. He will be "worked out" in the justice's court.

**OPENING**—Quite a large number of our citizens, both ladies and gentlemen, attended the grand opening of Newbourn Brothers on Monday night. The store is elegantly arranged, exhibiting a great deal of taste and good judgement in the different department. The price of all goods is marked in plain figures, and will be sold at strictly one price. Mr. Leeb, head clerk and general manager, is an experienced merchant, and is the right man in the right place.

**ROAD** INSPECTION.—County Judge Kirk and commissioner Hodde have made a general tour of the county inspecting the condition of the roads and bridges. Some new bridges will have to be built but there will be a considerable surplus of the road and bridge fund that can be devoted to the roads proper. The jury of view on the Brennam and Wesley road have made a report no material change has been made in the route, with the exception that the bridge over Mill creek will be moved up the road about 100 or 150 yards.

**MALICIOUS** MISCHIEF.—On Tuesday afternoon, while Mrs. Wm. Stuckert was absent from home, some person, or persons, entered her residence, turned over and broke her center table, and strewn things over the house generally, but strange to say nothing has been missed from the premises. A liberal reward will be paid for information leading to the detection and conviction of the parties engaged in the mischief.

**DIED**—At his residence in this city, on Wednesday at 5:30 p. m., Col. T. J. Alcorn, aged 76 years, 11 months and 15 days.

The deceased had been a citizen of this county for upwards of forty years; was well and favorably known throughout the state. His death was not unexpected, as he had been in failing health for some time, having been confined to his bed for the past six weeks. His funeral will take place from his late residence, on West Main street at 10:30 o'clock this morning.

**For** cash only—positively no credit.

We have begun to inform the public that we are in receipt of a large stock of goods which we shall offer at the lowest price possible in order to sell.

**CONOR** BROS.  
East side Public Square.

The best brands of Calico and Lawns, new patterns, at

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Six-year old barley malt and Blackmore Bourbon Whiskey on tap at MEYER & SONNEBERG'S.

Cabinet photos, only \$1 a dozen, at Snell's gallery.

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**LETTER LIST.**

Lost of unclaimed letters remaining in the postoffice at Brennam for the week ending April 28.

Abbe, Gustav  
Butler, Rocky  
Brown, Washington  
Carter, M. A. M.  
Douglas, Lela  
Griffin, W. A.  
Johnson, I.  
Meador, A.  
Parker, Edward  
Reid, Hattie  
Smith, J.  
Waller, W. L.  
Winn, John  
Wright, W. H.  
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Reid, Hattie  
Smith, J.  
Waller, W. L.  
Winn, John  
Wright, W. H.  
Zoller, K.  
Zoller, R.

**DISTRICT COURT.**

Friday.—State vs. Silas Ayers, colored, burglary; guilty, two years in the penitentiary. Silas was tried at this term and convicted, with a two years sentence. He was granted a new trial with the above result.

State vs. Austin Johnson, colored, burglary; trial progressing.

Saturday.—State vs. Austin Johnson, burglary; guilty, three years in the penitentiary.

State vs. Amanda Glass, divorce; decree granted.

State vs. Alfred Johnson, rape; motion overruled; notice overruled.

This completed the work for the term and the court adjourned for the term.

**MARRIAGE LICENSES.**

The following is a list of the marriage licenses issued by the county clerk for the week ending April 28.

Irish Newman to Julia Evans.  
Rolin Anderson to Ellen Glover.  
Joseph Mack to Rosalia Schell.  
W. S. Schellman to Annie Kott.  
Martin Hancock to Eva Walha.  
Jacob Mincy to Mrs. E. Harde.

**REMOVAL.**

C. H. Carlisle & Co., Insurance agents, have removed their office to the Schlottman building, northwest corner public square, over Stern & Kolwe's store.

**Cabinet** photos, only \$1 a dozen, at Snell's gallery.

**EASTER** MILKMAKERS.

Mrs. Norton has received her large and beautiful stock of Easter Goods. Pattern Hats and Bonnets with the new "Gretchen Cap" for little folks. Come early and make selections. Up stairs.

**TO** CONSUMERS.

In addition to our usually good stock of Food-stuffs we have just received

**GERMAN** MILLET SEED.

To arrive—Cars of corn in shock. Farmers and others desiring to purchase can get low figures by delivery from cars.

**COOKS** & CO.

Choice selections in Plush Goods, Ode Cases and Toilet stands at R. E. Luhn's.

A nice lot of Gingham, latest shades, 10c, at Cohen Bros.

Fine Manicure sets, Bronze and Triplicate Mirrors at R. E. Luhn's.

**A** CARD.

Dr. Hasey takes this opportunity of announcing to his many friends and patrons at home and abroad, that he is now able to attend to his professional duties, and that in a few days will issue a circular of interest to the friends of Homoeopathy.

**For** Sale.

A cottage with four rooms; good well; lot 100 feet by 215 feet deep. Price \$150. A bargain. Apply to T. J. PAMPALL.

**OFFICE** for rent. Apply to H. W. Graber.

A nice line of Straw, Fur and Stiff Hats at great bargains at CONOR BROS.

Just Received.

Fresh dried pears and French prunes. H. RINGNER & BRO.

School books, copy books and a general assortment of stationery at H. Muller's book store, Ant street near the depot.

**WANTED**—A lady or gentleman in Washington county, to sell my Housewife's Joy, a recipe for preserving fruit, vegetables, eggs, meat, etc. I will give a good commission. Address O. F. Posen, No. 207, Colorado street, Austin, Texas.

Soda water with shaved ice and fruit syrups at Carleton & Nash.

**Merchant** Tailor.

J. I. Ammons, fashionable tailor, keeps on hand a large and complete stock of foreign and domestic cloth and cassimere of the latest styles. He is prepared to make garments or full suits at short notice; a fit guaranteed. Store in the Norton building, corner Main and Ant streets.

**LUNCH.**

Sam Maury has the only first-class lunch stand in the city. He keeps imported sausage and cheese, also canned meats of every description. Lunches prepared at short notice.

Go to W. H. Murphy's for straight liquors, milk punches and all mixed drinks.

Cabinet photos, only \$1 a dozen, at Snell's gallery.

**Vendor's Lien** Notes. For sale by F. KIRK.

Prescriptions filled carefully and accurately at all times, at R. E. Luhn's.

Solid crumpled seersuckers at 15c, worth 25c, at Cohen Bros.

Seventy-five dozen misses' full-finished hose at 25c per pair, worth 50c. CONOR BROS.

**FOR** SALE—I offer for sale for cash my homestead, situated on Market street; four rooms, hall and store room; conveniently situated to the city house and to town; a large cistern and good well of water; lot 90x125 feet.

**JOS. J. SCHOLL.**

A large selection of Combs, Hair, Nail and Tooth Brushes at R. E. Luhn's.

Carleton & Nash will give a beautiful Easter card free with every 10c package of Easter Eggs. Dye purchased from them. Four colors in each package.

Ice cold soda and mineral waters at R. E. Luhn's Drug store.

One hundred pieces of embroidery and inserting at a sacrifice, as it is a job lot. Will sell it cheaper than it can be made, as the goods must be sold.

**CONOR** BROS.

A full line of everything kept in a general store and at prices which will astonish the closest buyer. Call and price our goods, we will suit you.

**CONOR** BROS.

**Beautifully** **at** **Homes.**

Finish the walls and ceilings with Alabaster. You can do this inexpensively. Try it. White and yellow tints. Cheaper and better than colored wallpaper or paper. Richness and variety. Remodeling—new free. To drag stoves, hardware and paint dealers.

**Our** \$5 ladies' shoe at \$3.

**CONOR** BROS.

**Now** is the time

To have your lawns put in for springing lawns, gardens, stores, streets, for bath arrangements and for family use, etc.

We are prepared in this line and have a special plumber to put in pipe fittings. First Class Rubber Hose at short notice and at special low rates. Estimates cheerfully furnished.

Bath tubs, wash stands of marble and iron, sinks, rockers for house, proved lawn sprinklers, and sewer pipes in stock.

All kinds of oat and indoor fountain stands and sprinklers ordered if desired.

**REINHARDT & SKEELHOIST.**

**For** Sale.

A Mason & Hamilton organ, nearly new. Will be sold cheap on account of moving. Apply early to J. W. WEBB.

**TO** THE PUBLIC.

On the 10th day of April, 1888, W. G. Wilkins made an assignment to the undersigned, and all parties indebted to the said W. G. Wilkins are hereby requested to settle same with me at once.

Respectfully,  
LOUIS H. VOSS, Assignee.

**NOTICE.**

I now have a stock of instruments of the finest make, and am prepared to do any kind of work in and out of the county at reasonable rates. Address W. D. Bredt, Iowa, Independence, Texas.

**NOTICE.**

This is to notify the public that in the final settlement of all the affairs of the late firm of Pampell & Harrison, this matter was made by H. N. Harrison for the use of said firm, transferred to T. J. Pampell all his rights, title and interest, and any and all claims and judgments still due the late firm, parties so indebted are earnestly requested to settle in accordance with the above notice.

This, April 22, 1888.  
H. N. HARRISON.

**HE** HAD AN INVITE.

"Good morning, Mr. Johnson," said a young man to an oldish, near-sighted passenger who had come off without his glasses; "going up town?"

"Yes, go to do a lot of trading at the stores, and I don't know how much I'll get along without my glasses."

"Getting ready for the wedding, I suppose?"

"Yes, my daughter Emma is going to get married. She and that good-for-nothing Hank Williams have made a match of it at last. He's as slow as sorghum molasses in January, and as shiftless as an Indian. Don't believe he can earn his salt, and I suppose I'll have to support him."

"But, Mr. Johnson—"

"Oh, he's good enough for Emma. That's the worst girl I ever saw. She's a little better than her mother, or me, though. I've to pull her out of bed every mornin', and she's as lazy as an old dog. She can't bake, can't paint with a can on the sew. A fine poor man she'll make. Besides, she has bunions on her feet as big as early rose pertaters, and she kin eat 'em on a hoss. An' that ain't the worst on it. If I want for her to do a thing, she'll keep her heels clean, an' then she never thinks of slickin' up her hair when company's expected. She's a regular slouch, Emma is, an' she can wear seven pairs of shoes a year. But she's good enough for Hank Williams, an' he'll only support her I'll be tarred glad to get her off my hands. S'pose you've got an invite to the wedding?"

"Yes, I'm invited. You don't seem to know me, Mr. Johnson?"

"Yes, I do, but I can't place you. Let me see—I haven't got my glasses with me—but I know you. Your name is—"

"Hank Williams, sir."

**THE** VERY MAN.

"Yes, I am in need of a reporter," said an editor, replying to a man who had entered the office and applied for a position; "but I want a startling sort of a fellow—in other words, I want a man who is not afraid to tell a lie."

"Link the I am the man."

"That may be, but you must understand that the man I want is to be able to tell a plausible lie—one that has every phase of the truth."

"I'll say I am the man."

"Have you ever done much newspaper work?"

"No; I have never written for a newspaper."

"Then how do you know you can write a plausible lie?"

"Because I have written war articles for the magazines."

The editor grasped the applicant's hand: "My dear man," said he, "I want you."

A revolver in a glass case, surrounded by pictures of beasts and surmounted by the motto: "Pay or pray," aids a Nebraska photographer in conducting his business on a cash basis.

Mr. Benoni Austin, of North Woodstock, Conn., ninety-five years old, stands at the head of five generations, having a living son, grandson, great and great-grandson.

Lord Selbourne publishes a letter, in which he attacks certain features of Gladstone's home-rule bill and pronounces the measure hopelessly faulty.

The wool clip of Oregon and Washington territory for 1885 was 13,000,000 pounds, which was 3,000,000 pounds in excess of 1884 and 5,000,000 pound of 1883.

There is an effort to make the Blair educational bill an issue in the Alabama campaign for state officers.

In Germany, in the eighteenth century, a dwarf was considered a necessary appendage to every noble family.

It was said that in his death hour a man had said: "It's a little nule that's de mos' apter kick er pussen."

**THE FARMER AND HIS DEAR.**

There is a statistician about the farmer who desires to impress everybody with economic facts. Said he: "Do you see that man over there? Well, he's a farmer near Elgin. There he goes with a friend; they're going to get a drink. Now, let me see. That man will sweat two mortal hours next spring to plow enough ground to raise one bushel. That bushel of corn he will sell for thirty cents. He is going in now to spend the thirty cents for two drinks. Therefore, the farmer and the corn have parted. Now, let me tell you what he does with the corn. A bushel of corn makes seventeen quarts of whisky—four and a quarter gallons. The distillery gets its first profit—40 cents a gallon. There you are; \$2 for that bushel of corn. Now the government comes in, 90c a gallon—\$3.85 cents added to the \$2 makes \$5.85. That brings the product of the bushel of corn down to the jobber and wholesaler, and finally, by several stages, to the consumer. By the time it reaches the latter the bushel of corn, or the product of four and a quarter gallons, has been reduced one-half, which means eight and a half gallons—the gallon that is the average—eight and a half gallons means 270 drinks at 15 cents—there we have \$4.05 as the consumer's price for the bushel of corn which the farmer raises and sells for 30 cents. Who says there is no industry in this country? But the farmer we saw just now spent his whole bushel of corn in the price of a two-cent drink, the people who do not till the soil get away with \$4.05.—Chicago Herald.

**FOOD FOR THE SICK.**

Hygiene and food—these two are the materia medica and the therapeutics. Let us be brief. In the diarrhea of infants and children and in the dysentery of the adult, extract of malt and pepsin cure when other things must fail. Seven cases of summer complaint became chronic on our hands and had but us from every quarter. We renewed the fight by ordering extract of malt two parts, pure glycerine one part, a tablespoonful every four hours. The change was something wonderful. Digestion was re-established, the bowels moved, the gastric function of the liver; glycerine is force like the combustion of oil and alcohol. In a case of chronic diarrhea in a lady who has been bed fast for a year—how emaciated, and tongue red and leathery, skin like the wax of a diaphanous—she ordered twenty grains of pepsin to be added to a pint of new milk, set away in a warm place. In an hour or two constipation commenced. Beat up with an egg-beater, then set away in a warm place for four hours, so that the pepsin may convert the albumenoids into peptones. One ounce of this added to two ounces of cotton planters and drank; a teaspoonful three times a day, and plenty of barley water, oatmeal water, and the pap made from the lump, obtained from boiling four hours three or four teaspoonfuls of flour singly tied up in a bundle. Grate the lump and boil it into a pap with skin milk. When cool enough to be swallowed add a teaspoonful of milk and a half cup of the pap. This treatment, without any medicine except this desperate case. You may treat cases of chronic dysentery in the same way. Cod oil comes in useful in many of the cases of chronic disease, along with malt and pepsin milk. We make a pancreatic emulsion from the fresh gland with water, glycerine and bicarbonate of soda. Typhoid and pneumonia patients have been treated in the same way with great success.

Some young men have habits of playing poker at the clubs after midnight and the result of fashion. By this method they shine not only in society, but sin till late elsewhere.

The output of pig iron in Great Britain is to be restricted in order to maintain prices.

Papa, have guns got legs? "No," "How do they kick them?" "With their breeches, my son."

"I aim to tell the truth." "Yes," interrupted an acquaintance, "and you are probably the worst shot in this country."

St. Jacob's Oil marks a great advance in the science of a cure. It is the only absolute specific for rheumatism. Only 50 cents.

Friend—"Sluggard! The sun was up hours ago." Old rounder "Yes; but it wasn't up all night, as I was."

John Kelly will be off to cool-trot before heated term comes on, he is evidently tired of the trouble the politicians much more.

The Chinese adulterate tea with willow leaves, and last year the people of this country paid for over 500,000 pounds willow leaves mixed with tea.

One of the humors of the Rhode Island Prohibition law is that the Casino at Newport will have to close.

The world's production of sugar in 1884 is estimated at 4,355,000 tons of which 1,600,000 tons were cut sugar and only 2,085,000 cane sugar.

The oldest dwelling house in the United States is situated near the San Miguel church. It was built before the Spanish conquest.

At Budapest, Hungary, the Austrian government has a model dairy school, where from 15,000 to 15,000 quarts of milk are daily manufactured.

Senator Van Wyck is accused of having abandoned the Republican party to its fate.

Sixty-eight cases of sporadic cholera have occurred at Brindisi, Italy.

The population of Australia doubles in twenty years that of the United States in twenty-six.

The statistics now tell us that the reputable M. D.'s in the world number 100,000.

A clerk in a commercial house at Valparaiso absconded with \$80,000.

There is a honeysuckle three feet long dependent from the branch of a mulberry tree at Los Angeles, California.

**GENES OF THOUGHT.**

One day is worth three to him who does everything in order.

He who thinks too much of himself will be in danger of being forgotten by the rest of the world.

The worst of faults is a false heart, and the least comely consequence that can be imagined is a false hood.

The most delicate, the most sensitive of all pleasures consists in promoting the pleasures of other.

One of the most fatal temptations to be every day subduing his passions, and laying aside his prejudices.

Those who do the will of God heartily, will do it speedily; while we delay, time is lost and heart hardened.

Few mercies call for more thankfulness than a friend save in heaven. It is not every one that overcometh.

Nothing is so wholesome, nothing does so much for people's look, as a little interchange of the small amount of benevolence.

On arriving at church go in at once, and do not hang around the door.

Prepare for divine service on your knees, not at your looking-glass.

An honest Chinaman is an unusual work of God.

A Virginia curiosity is a wood-chuck with a hare-lip.

The divinity of charity consists in relieving a man's needs before they are forced upon us.

Contempt is like the hot iron that brands criminals; its imprint is almost always indelible.

In matters of conscience first thoughts are best; in matters of prudence last thoughts are best.

A strong man is one whose passion stimulates his reason and whose reason controls his passions.

A man is great just in proportion to his superiority to the condition of life in which he is placed.

There is no strength in exaggeration; even too truth is weakened by being expressed too strongly.

As a rule lawyers are a brave class of men. "It's conscience that makes cowards of us," you know.

If you wish success in life, make perseverance your bosom friend, experience your wise counselor, caution your elder brother, and hope your guardian.

The Houston Post says: Mr. Harvey Gordon, of Abbeville county, South Carolina, says cotton can be made and prepared for market at the rate of three cents per pound. If Mr. Harvey Gordon will convince the cotton planters that this can be done, and will put his process of doing it on the market he will speedily become a very rich man.

The Baltimore and Ohio Telegraph company have won a suit in the supreme court of Pennsylvania which gives them telephone connections at all exchanges in that state on an equal footing with the Western Union. The same company also won an injunction suit at Memphis.

A scheme is on foot in Washington to secure the publication in that city of a democratic daily newspaper favorable to the views of the administration.

A Memphis wharf has taken the law into her own hands and publicly horse-whipped a man whom she had reason to think had trespassed her. Her honor now shines like a new millstone on a gatepost.

A dentist-made convention is to be held at San Francisco in July. The deaf and dumb everywhere in the United States are expected to have a voice in the deliberations. It will be a quiet affair.

Every American Indian costs the United States government \$3000 a year, estimating the population at 300,000, and the appropriation at \$7,000,000.

A sensation has been created in Ireland by an offer of the trustees of the Symes estate to turn over the lands to the tenants at a sum equal to twelve years' rent.

A Georgia man swallowed his tongue, and came near strangling before a doctor could get it back into position.

The hoodlums of Portland, Oregon blew up with dynamite a house occupied by Chinese recently.

The official vote in Rhode Island on prohibition was as follows: For, 15,220; against, 9,418.

The mayor of Boston controls patronage amounting to \$110,000 a year.

California physicians increase at the rate of 240 per annum.

Hot-house strawberries are selling in New York at \$4 per box.

There are over one million volumes in the New York public libraries.

A self-tamping metallic railway tie is among the recent railway inventions.

A fourteen-pound nugget of gold has been found in Siberia.

**SPRING AND SUMMER GOODS.**

Comprising all the latest styles in Ladies' Dress Goods, such as Plain and Figured Nun's Veilings, Bunting, Berages, Balises, Cashmires, etc. Summer Silks and Satins in new and pretty shades. Wash fabrics of every description—Gingham's, Chambrays, Seersuckers, etc. Headquarters for White Goods. Striped, Checked and Floured Nainsooks, White and Figured Lawns, Dimities and Mulls. The largest lot of New Embroideries ever brought to the city. Oriental Lawns in Cream and White. All over Laces and Embroideries of all kinds. Embroidered Robes. All Silk Ribbons in Spring Shades. Latest novelties in Straw Goods. Zigzag Broads—every pair guaranteed. My line of Men's Youth and Boy's Spring Clothing is superb. The public is requested to call before purchasing elsewhere. A fine line of Gent's Furnishing Goods—all of which are offered very low.

**F. A. ELDRIDGE.**

The Rhode Islanders are beginning to wonder what kind of a law the legislature will pass to carry into effect the new constitutional amendment.

**Looseleaf's Cough Elixir.**  
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Yokohama sold last year to foreigners \$4,000,000 worth of tea.

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Micado parrots have the points turned upward, and are made of striped or embroidered silk.

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The trimmings are arranged upon the back portion of the crowns of stylish French round hats.

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A girly bonnet of soft Milan braid has a mass of pale pink hyacinths arranged on the left side.

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Costly white lace over a white satin princess slip is a favorite wedding dress for a youthful bride.

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White handkerchiefs are bordered with wide embroidered daisies in blue, white or red. Handkerchiefs for mourning have the daisies in black.